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 (Previously presented) An isolated P. aeruginosa protein having a molecular weight of about 60 kDa to about 65 kDa and an N-terminal sequence comprising the amino acid sequence of:

Xas Glu Glu Lye Thr Pro Leu Thr Thr Ala Ala Xas Ala Pro Val Val Xas Asn Ala (SEQ ID NO:2),

wherein Xua is an unknown amino acid.

- 7. (Previously presented) A composition comprising the protein of claim 1.
- 21. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 7, wherein said composition elicits an immune response in a subject when administered to said subject.
- 24. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 7, wherein said composition further comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 26. (Previously presented) The composition of claim 7, wherein said composition further comprises an adjuvant.
- 18. (Previously presented) A kit for use in detecting P. aeruginosa or diagnosing P. aeruginosa infection, wherein said kit comprises the protein of claim 1.

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- 20. (Previously presented) A kit for use in detecting P. aeruginosa or diagnosing P. aeruginosa infection, wherein said kit comprises the composition of claim 7.
- 37. (Previously presented) An isolated antigenic fragment of a *P. aeruginosa* protein wherein said antigenic fragment comprises at its N-terminus, the amino acid sequence: Xaa Glu Glu Lys Thr Pro Leu Thr Thr Ala Ala Xaa Ala Pro Val Val Xaa Asn Ala (SEQ ID NO:2), wherein Xaa is an unknown amino acid, and wherein said protein has a molecular weight of about 60 kDa to about 65 kDa.
 - 38. (New) A composition comprising the antigenic fragment of claim 37.
- 39. (New) The composition of claim 38, wherein said composition elicits an immune response in a subject when administered to said subject.
- 40. (New) The composition of claim 38, wherein said composition further comprises a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.
- 41. (New) The composition of claim 38, wherein said composition further comprises an adjuvant.
- 42. (New) A kit for use in detecting P. aeruginosa or diagnosing P. aeruginosa infection, wherein said kit comprises the antigenic fragment of claim 37.
- 43. (New) A kit for use in detecting P. aeruginosa or diagnosing P. aeruginosa infection, wherein said kit comprises the composition of claim 38.